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## SPADEWORK BEGINS FOR FATEFUL BIG THREE CONFERENCE

London, Apr. 23.—The arrival here today of the American Ambassador-at-Large, Dr Philip Jessup—fresh from his fact-finding tour round the world—heralds the opening of the most important West Powers' conference since the Atlantic Pact was signed a year ago.

Their scope will be world-wide, their subjects unlimited and their purpose to line up Western policy more coherently, more effectively and more continuously.

Together with the French Ambassador here, M. René Massigot, and Sir William Strang, permanent head of the British Foreign Office, Dr Jessup will spend the next 10 days in preparation of papers and other work necessary for the "Big Three" Foreign Ministers' meetings here and in Paris next month.

They open in Paris on May 9, when the American Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, confers with the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, on his way from Washington to London. In London Mr Acheson will first talk separately with the

Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, and all three will get together for the first time on May 11.

These "Big Three" talks will lead straight into a three-day session of the 12 Atlantic Pact Foreign Ministers here on May 15.

Though the functions of Dr Jessup, M. Massigot, Sir William Strang and their teams of experts are nominally limited to preparing the "Big Three" talks, they will undoubtedly also be concerned with the Atlantic Pact meeting, because both overlap at many points.

### COLD WAR

The aims of both are to review politically, economically and strategically the world situation in the light of developments on both sides of the East European "Iron Curtain" and the Far Eastern "Bamboo Curtain".

Both will be vitally concerned with the progress of the "cold war" policies, and the "Big Three" particularly are expected to debate whether any move by them to re-open direct talks with Moscow would serve a useful purpose.—Reuter.

## High Feeling In London Dock Strike

London, Apr. 23.—Snubbed twice in 12 hours by their union chief, the unofficial London Dock strikers today angrily threatened to extend the stoppage in which 8,000 men are idle, holding up 47 ships.

A strikers' delegation called today at the Trade Union Headquarters to talk over their case with Mr Arthur Deakin, the Transport and General Workers Union boss, but found the doors locked and no one in the offices. Later Mr Deakin issued a statement saying that he refused to discuss the unofficial strike.

He had decided to see the strikers' delegation last night. The strike, labelled "Communist-inspired" by the Labour Minister, Mr George Isaacs, began last week when the union expelled three men for their part in last summer's dock strike in sympathy with a stoppage by Canadian seamen.—Reuter.

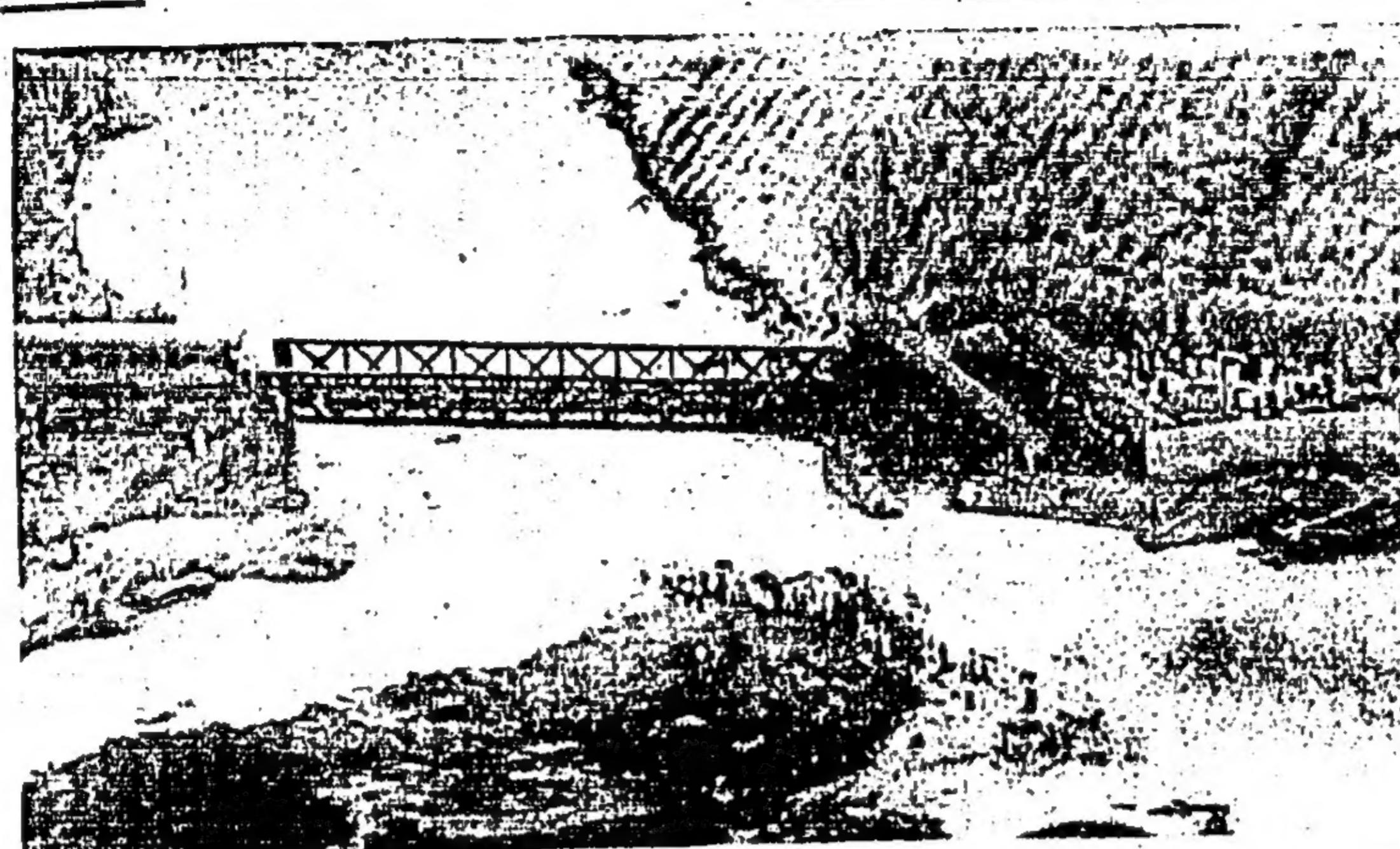
## Bears Appear In Alpine Villages

Trento, Apr. 23.—Snow-bound villages in the Alpine foothills of Trento today took precautions against brown bears, who have made their first appearance here for over a century.

Children were forbidden to leave their homes unless accompanied by a grownup with a gun.

Driven down from the high Alps by bitter weather and continuing deep snow, the bears have left their lair around several villages. Last night they killed 12 sheep at the village of Fiera di Primiero.

## Shocking Brazilian Rail Crash Disaster



View of the wrecked locomotive and coaches of a passenger train from Rio de Janeiro to Victoria, which plunged from a bridge into a river a fortnight ago. Almost 100 persons were killed and a great many more injured. (London Express Service)

## Remarkable Scene Interrupts Vienna Ceremonies

Vienna, Apr. 23.—A sensational scene took place this morning in St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna, when the Coadjutor, Dr Franz Jachym, in the middle of a ceremony in which he was being consecrated a Bishop, suddenly declared himself unworthy of the honour and left the Cathedral.

The ceremony was being conducted by Cardinal Innitzer in the presence of the Austrian Chancellor, Dr Leopold Figl, and the Education Minister, Dr Hürdes.

Just before the ritual of consecration began, Dr Jachym, looking very pale, made the following declaration, first in Latin and then in German, to the congregation:

"Having pondered the matter for several sleepless nights, I do not feel myself suited for the high office of Bishop. Therefore I ask to be allowed to withdraw my candidature and make this request with all determination and humility. 'I ask the clergy and the people to pray for me.'

Dr Jachym then asked Cardinal Innitzer to continue the Mass, which was being celebrated, and left the Cathedral. He is reported to have driven to a convent in the second district of Vienna and to have locked himself in there.

After Mass had been finished, the Canon of the Cathedral, Dr Dorn, made a brief address to the excited congregation. He pointed out that other Saints and Bishops in Church history had resisted taking of the Bishop's office and asked those present not to pass judgment but to respect the "decision of a resolute and humble conscience."

### PERSONAL CRISIS

The incident has caused great perturbation in Church circles here. Dr Jachym was only recently appointed to the office of Coadjutor to Archbishop Innitzer. He was one of the youngest priests ever to hold this office and a brilliant future in the Catholic Church was predicted for him.

The only explanation offered for this sudden change of mind of Dr Jachym is that he was passing through a personal nervous crisis, which made him feel at least temporarily unable to accept the high office offered him.—Reuter.

## Face Slapping At The Dean's Peace Rally

Sydney, Apr. 23.—Face-slapping and fistfights marked a "Peace" rally this afternoon at which Dr Hewlett Johnson, the Dean of Canterbury, addressed a crowd of 7,000 people here.

A young man who shouted to the Dean "Go Back to Russia" had his face slapped by a woman. The woman's tall companion then punched him heavily on the face.

Dr Johnson was greeted with the Communist clenched fist salute when he arrived at the rally, which was organised by the Australian Peace Council. He reiterated that it was a lie to say that Russia wanted war. Her standard of living had risen so high, he said, that she wanted only peace. Police mingling with the crowd stopped women collecting signatures to a petition protesting against the possibility of Australian troops being sent to Malaya.—Reuter.

## Labour Party's Survival Felt To Be Touch And Go

### Mounting Unrest On Wage Freeze

#### Tory Budget Challenge

London, Apr. 23.—The fate of Britain's Labour Government balances on a razor edge this week, with the Conservatives in the evenly matched House of Commons out for the kill in Wednesday's crucial votes on the Budget.

Simultaneously, the two months' old administration is menaced by a crisis among its industrial following, where over 5,000,000 trade unionists are fighting the official wage freeze.

The Government recognises that its Parliamentary survival is a case of touch and go. It plans an immediate general election if defeated in the critical Wednesday votes on increased petrol and new taxation payments.

The Government's continued existence may depend to some extent on whether the nine Liberals in Parliament vote for or against the Government.

But Labour will assume their hostility and count only on its own following—who, if not actually bed-ridden, will be marshalled to the division lobbies.

The Conservatives may have some reservations about their own position in forcing a final show-down with the Government now.

Mr Winston Churchill, the leader of the Conservatives, and his followers realise that fresh elections might produce another stalemate—with his Party in an even more precarious position than the Socialists today.

The Government, which has an overall majority of only four votes in the House, believes that it will beat the Conservatives— even with a tick list of probably 10 members.

Political observers generally consider the odds favour the Government.

#### BREATHING SPACE

If it can last out this week the Government may have a breathing space in which to grapple with the mounting industrial unrest against the Chancellor, Sir Stafford Cripps' refusal to make bigger budget concessions to the cost of living.

## Van Zeeland Runs Into Difficulties

Brussels, Apr. 23.—The Catholic Premier-designate, M. Paul Van Zeeland, will meet new difficulties in forming a Cabinet even if Belgium's three main parties agree to a formula for exiled King Leopold to give up the throne temporarily to his son.

The three Parties—Catholic, Socialists and Liberals—have agreed in principle to implement the Monarch's own plan for solving Belgium's five-year-old "Royal question."

Their delegates met again today to thrash out final details of the compromise, which has run into heavy weather about what the King should do while his son, the 19-year-old Prince Baudouin, occupies the throne.

Socialists and Liberals say that the King should return to Belgium to hand over his prerogatives to his son, he must also be received with "Royal honour". But Socialists oppose any return "in State". In this case, they say, they will counter-demonstrate.

Finally, the Liberals want the on-going Catholic-Liberal coalition to continue under the former Premier, M. Gaston Eyskens. On the other hand, M. Paul Seghers, Catholic Minister of Communications in the Carelaker Cabinet, has said that he would never join a Government planned to "honish" the King.

"We want the King to stay in Belgium so that he can, if need be, take the first steps of the youthful, non-experienced Prince," M. Seghers said.—Reuter.

### Malaya Moves Predicted

London, Apr. 23.—The mass circulation *News of the World* today predicted new development in the Malaya situation.

The newspaper said that the new Minister of War, Mr John Strachey, anxious to "retrieve" the blots on his career, was planning new moves to deal with the increasing "disquiet" about Malaya.—Reuter.

## TRAIL OF WRECKS IN MOTORRACE

Brescia, Apr. 23.—A trail of wrecked cars was left half across Italy today as 383 of Europe's leading racing drivers fought through blinding rainstorms in the famous Mille Miglia road race.

The British motor racing driver, P.A. Woods, and his relief driver, Monkhouse, were seriously injured when their Healey car hurtled off the course near Padua. They were rushed to hospital.

Mr Duncan Sandys, a leading figure in the European Movement, is named for the Works Department, and Mr Peter Thorneycroft, another young politician, for Transport.

At Ferrara, two Lancias "Aerolines" were in collision. The drivers and one mechanic were injured.

At Ferrara, a car overturned and rolled wildly off the road. The Italian driver was taken to hospital in a serious condition.

At Chiari, as the cars turned inland from the Adriatic coast, seven cars overturned one after another on a wide but treacherous bend. All but one of them continued in the race.

After the drivers and mechanics had struggled desperately to get their machines upright and on the road again.

The driver and mechanic of one car, a Maserati, were taken to hospital badly injured, with three spectators who were knocked over as the machine hurtled off the road.

The first victim of the 1,000-mile journey was a midget Fiat, which less than 50 miles from the start crashed into a lamp post near Verona and was wrecked. The driver and the mechanic were taken to hospital.—Reuter.



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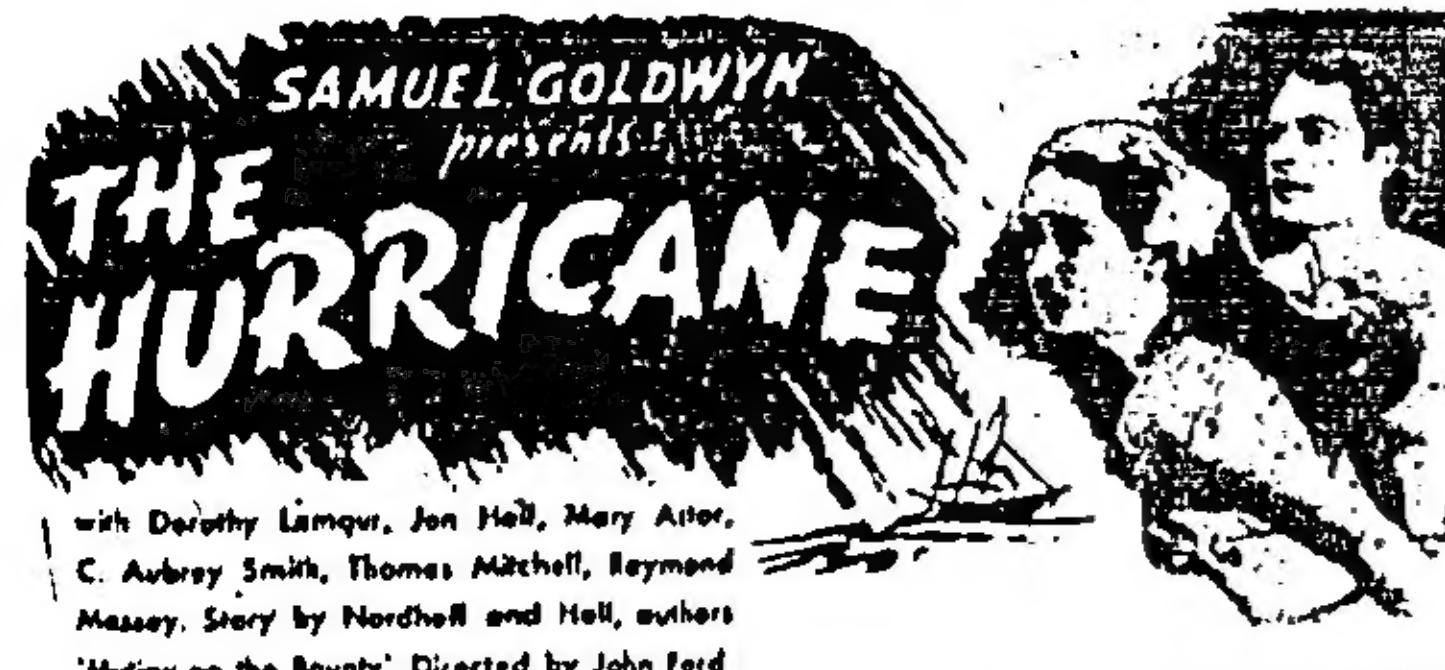
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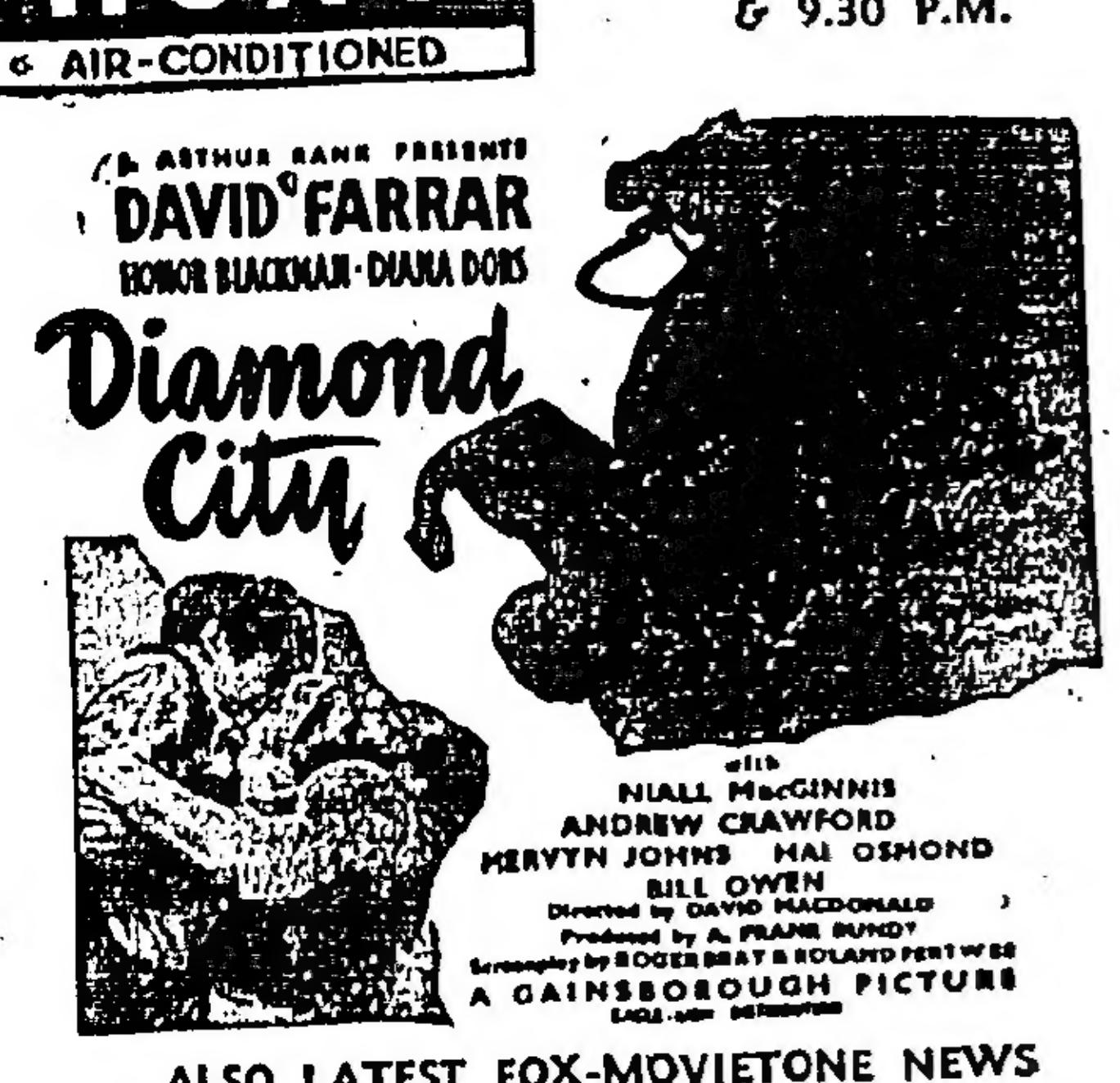


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### Going The Paris Way

NEW necklines, embroideries and slim skirts are well adapted to the American woman. Dior's much talked of horseshoe neckline, the moulded torso and flounced slim skirt and all-over embroidery are all to be found in very wearable budget priced American collections. The extremes of the Paris showings are well adapted to American tastes with a practical eye. Skirts, although slimmer and straighter in line, are always balanced with an overskirt or a wraparound side drape.

#### Adaptations

A series of all-over embroidered sheets in pastel shades are interesting adaptations of the big embroidery trend noted by American designers returning from their Paris trips. In matching shades of pink on pink or contrasts of white on gray, a frock can be very effective in strapless moulded torso with side draped style.

Summer blacks make up another important colour note. Planned for early June the cool touch of black nylon net filling in a horseshoe neckline or forming a rounded neckline or forming a cut-out pattern on the skirt of a dress is exciting. One of the smartest dresses is the net tulle overskirt on a slim black sheer, the neckline wide from side to side and tied on the shoulder making a cool pretty town dress for summer.

Buttons and suggesting a cow back drape and lots of pastel tones—pinks and lilacs—are other newsworthy features of adapting the Paris way.

#### Household Hints

Before buying a saucepan, put it down on a level base and see how "tippy" it is. If the handle is too heavy or the bottom of the pan is not large enough, it will always be a source of trouble and danger.

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Robes for young members of the family should be selected with a view to easy laundering. Seersucker and terry cloth robes are easy to care for.

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Tiny scratches and small dents on your kitchen floor may be caused by heel of your shoes. Have them repaired immediately, as this is the most common cause of disfigurement of linoleum.

EXAMPLE NO. 1: an attached stole which can be worn loosely round the shoulders.



EXAMPLE NO. 2: a new kind of decolletage—with a petal lapel at the back.

—(London Express Service)

### Tied to Your Apron Strings

By G. C. MYERS, Ph.D.

He leaves him alone at his dressing. Keep your voice still then and until through breakfast except for comonable conversation with the boy or your husband. If the boy does not arrive when breakfast is ready you should eat.

#### Late for School

It might be well to start this new way on a Saturday morning. If on the next Monday morning he has not made himself ready for school on time let him go to school late. I hope that the consequences of his tardiness will be effectively unpleasant to him. If he is late for several consecutive mornings let the school know beforehand of the new training plan.

The advice to this mother is not easy for her to follow:

"After you have the boy up and awake, go about your work."

Right Corset All-important



Valli, popular movie star, says the right corset or foundation garment makes a good figure look even better. Choose yours with care.

By HELEN FOLLETT

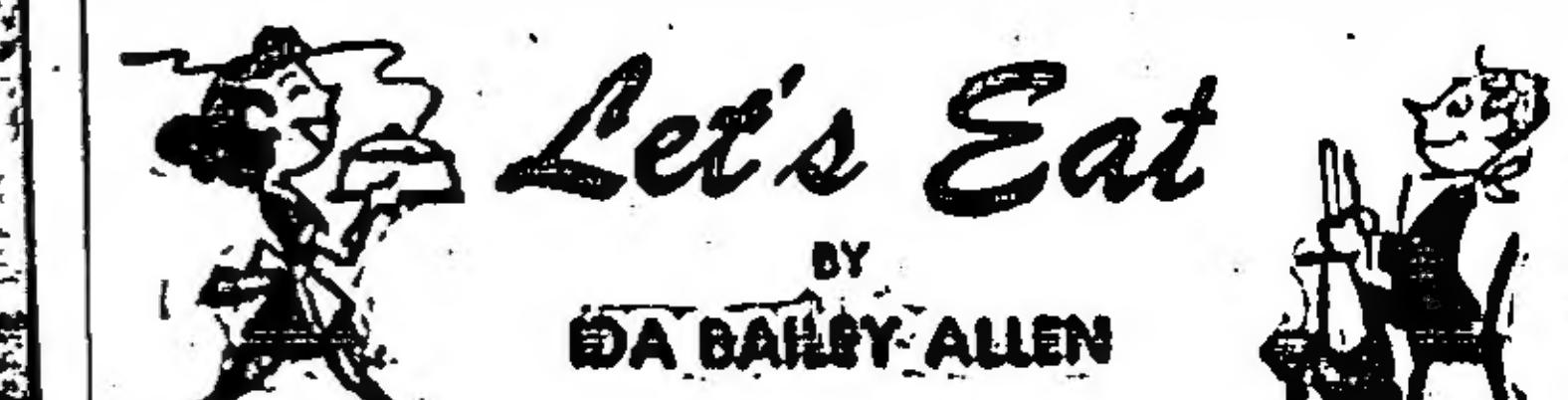
In olden days a woman lashed herself into a steel-riveted corset that squeezed her waistline down to eighteen inches. The femininity vogue is spolit-lighting fashion and beauty has never before, and should direct a woman's attention to the choosing of the correct bra.

Being extremely delicate, breast tissue needs firm but unconstricting support. Excessive exposure is a danger. Conversely, lack of proper support inflicts due strain upon the muscles and tissues.

There are three lines that the industry refers to as bandeau, brassiere and long line. The bandeau is for the youthful figure, the brassiere gives more diaphragm control and a firm uplift for the heavier bosom. The long line makes for smooth midriff control and distribution of flesh.

When buying a bra or a corset, seek professional advice. Go to an experienced corsetiere who will recognize your corset.

Equally important as the who will recognize your corset is the brassiere which is special requirements.



### Let's Eat

BY DA BAILY ALLEN

### Apple Sauce Served Six Ways

"MANY hotel chefs always keep in the refrigerator a jar of apple sauce," observed the Chef. "Apple sauce is a very versatile food. Served in glass dishes and nicely decorated, it becomes a dessert. Warm, and seasoned with a little butter, it's like a vegetable. Look here. I have on this paper noted down six ways with apple sauce."

"For breakfast, with sausages, bacon or ham," I read. "In that case it would be good heated. Chef, with a little butter and cinnamon. The second idea is to serve apple sauce with waffles, griddle cakes or French toast. Very nice, Chef!"

"Now what comes next?"

"Now for your fourth idea: Make apple sauce and gelatin and serve with lamb or mutton, lamb salad or sandwiches. But just how do you make apple sauce?"

"You could add a few raisins."

"Out, Madame, on top of the crisp corn or rice flakes or shredded wheat in deep bowls. Or if the cereal is hot, as farina or oatmeal or rice, I would add a little butter, put the cereal in a deeper bowl, hollow out and fill with warm apple sauce."

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"Dinner Alternate"

Herring Beet and Celery  
Hors d'Oeuvre Salads  
Baked Fish Fillets Creole  
Baked White Potatoes

Ruttered Turnips Corn Bread

Baked Buttered Pears

Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)

Herring Boot and Celery

Hors d'Oeuvre Salads

Combine 1/2 c. well chilled 1/2

herring fillets, 1 c. celery cut in 1/4" lengths, 2 tbsp. French dressing, 2 tbsp. soured cream, 1 1/2 tbsp. prepared horseradish, 1/2 tsp. sugar and 1/2 tsp. pepper.

Chill at least 15 min. Stir in 2 c. small-diced cooked beets, and serve on lettuce leaves. Top with minced parsley.

Dinner Alternate

Bring 2 cups sweetened apple sauce to a boil. Whip 1 egg white stiff; add yolk to white and beat. Fold beaten egg into the hot apple sauce and pour into a baked plain or oaky crumb pie shell and set aside to cool. Spread with sweetened whipped cream or a thin layer of marshmallow cream."

Dinner

Toasted Salad

Pot Roasted Chicken

Ciblet Gravy

Green and Red Pepper Rice

Green Peas

Drop Biscuits

Cinnamon Apple Sauce

Coconut Banana Cream Pie

Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)

All Measurements Are Level

Baked 30 min. at 350° F.

## INGRID'S BABY—AN ENGLISH GIRL POSED FOR THE FAKE PHOTOGRAPH



This is the picture that Jacqueline posed for and, right, how it appeared in the Italian magazine, with Ingrid Bergman's head superimposed.



Right: Jacqueline Lethbridge wears a black woollen dress and a yellow jacket, an outfit she bought in Rome.

**'I never saw her—I was told on the way'**

JUST back in London from Rome, where she has spent six months as a freelance fashion model, is 26-year-old Jacqueline Lethbridge, who posed as Ingrid Bergman for the photograph in an Italian magazine which purported to show Ingrid in bed with her baby son.

Jacqueline is living with her parents at their antique shop in Richmond, and she told a reporter the story of how the picture came to be arranged.

Mrs. Bergman was in the Villa Margarita, where Roberto Rossellini would allow no photographs of her. Jacqueline was still in bed in Rome one February morning when the telephone rang.

"It was the magazine, asking me if I would do a photographic modelling job at the Villa Bianca—another smart nursing home in Rome.

"I was told to take a night-dress and a bed-jacket. I had to borrow a bed-jacket as I did not possess such a thing. It was not until I was in car on the way to the nursing home that I was told what the job was to be."

"I was to pose in bed with a nurse standing on one side and a doctor and another man on the other. Afterwards my head was to be replaced by a photograph of Ingrid, and the man's by Rossellini's, and the

MINISTER PROBES SLAVERY CHARGES  
‘MEN ARE CHAINED BY THE NECK’

MR P. A. McBRIDE, Australian Minister of the Interior, is to fly to the Northern Territory to investigate charges of slavery among the aborigines, the original inhabitants.

Cattle owners and doctors in the sparsely populated territory are demanding that a royal commission be set up to sift the allegations.

These are that aborigines are chained and herded into camps without trial, are refused freedom of movement, but money they earn is taken from them by the Department for Native Affairs; and that "barbarous treatment" by the Queensland

authorities has reduced the original 200 tribes to 40.

Rough-riding cattle-man Watson Byers, whose property of 5,600 square miles is as big as Yorkshire and Lancashire together, charges that aborigines are worked in conditions of slavery.

Hundreds of them, he says, are employed for their food, tobacco, and £1 a week. Their clothing is marked off against the £1, and what is left is compulsorily sent to the Department for Native Affairs.

## ‘IT'S PIRACY’

"It is supposed to be a trust," says Byers, "but dozens of accounts remain from previous natives who have never claimed them. It is bare-faced piracy."

"None of the natives has freedom of movement. I flew one of my stockmen, named Quandong, to the town of Katherine for hospital treatment. When he was cured, the police refused to allow him to return to his wife, his home, and his job."

"And according to law, any white man who gives an aborigine a lift in this territory is liable to three months' gaol unless the man has a permit."

Dr L. Thompson, who has just returned from years of service in the territory, says: "I have been disgusted to see natives chained together by the neck and interned in camps without trial."

The Australian Actors' Equity has taken up the case of an aborigine film actor, Henry Murdoch, who has a prominent part in the film "Bitter Springs."

Although the salary minimum for white players was £14 10s. a week, it is alleged that the Department for Native Affairs would allow Murdoch to be paid only £6, and the department kept back £4 of this.

## ENTERTAINMENT IN AIR



WHILE flying from Los Angeles to New York, George Burton puts two of his trained birds to work to entertain stewardess Betty Gibson. There were 24 of the feathered entertainers on the flight and, since all of them perform, there must have been no end of diversion for the passengers. (Acme).

## K. O. CANNON



## A NEW ADVENTURE—WITH WHISPER

## CAN-CAN



NEW YORK actress Diana Herhert helps to bring back into popularity the one-piece bathing suit. She made this one herself, adapting it from a Gay Nineties can-can costume. (Acme).

## Character Told By Haircuts

After 20 years study of customers, two leading Broadway barbers say they can tell a man's character by his haircut.

Barbers Roy Feder and Rudy Aladino, who have thousands of case histories in their files, have divided men into these eight types:

1. The artist—intellectual. Hair usually looks like a hayseed in high wind, is inclined to be absent-minded about anniversaries, hats, rubber and umbrellas, but always remembers he's married when a pretty girl walks by.

2. The floormop: Hair flattened down on top, but so luxuriant on sides that subject has to almost screw his hat on. This type is normally a faithful husband and generally untrusty.

3. The boxhedge: Length of hair may vary from half an inch to three inches, but invariably stands up straight from forehead to nape, an aggressive fellow, quick to anger and one who can't be talked out of a conviction, even by tears.

4. The middle-of-the-road part: He finds it hard to make up his mind on anything. He will marry a girl if she asks him, but is likely to founder if the decision is left up to him.

5. The squiggle part: No

matter where it starts in front, the parting weaves as it moves back; this reveals a man who favours round-about methods of gaining an objective.

6. The bushy back: Hair blossoms long and thick after it passes the ears; a sure sign of a man with submerged fears.

7. Emphatically bald: He has the barber clip what's left of his hair very short, considers himself a stern realist and won't tolerate what he calls "pope dreams," will tell his wife her looks horrible, if it does.

8. The self-deceiver: Bald man who wears like a truck driver if barber needlessly nips long whisps of hair which he combs over hairless areas of scalp, has in no hurry to stare grim facts in the face, will idolise girl who sees wonderful things in him, whether they're there or not.

## Wullyum Shakspear Wur Broight Wroiter

By Robert Musel

London, Apr. 23.—Wullyum Shakspear wus playerite whus characters tawked something loik this at toim he wroit his famus playes loik "Hamlet" and "Macbeth."

## 20 Hours Of A New Word Is The Cure

New York. A new word, dinnetics, is sweeping this country. It originated with L. Ron Hubbard, author of a book which promises cures for psychosomatic ills without benefit of psychiatrist.

All you have to do is take on 20 hours of "dinnetics" over which "any intelligent layman" can preside.

After the reverses, a "confused individual" is supposed to become a "clear" (which means intelligence better than the normal) or, if all goes especially well, he may even become a "release" (which means free of all major unities or illnesses).

BACK TO SEA.—People who accept stories of the dog that came home across hundreds of miles are baffled by the case of the Arab, collie mascot of the coastguard ship Yukut.

Arab strolled ashore while the ship was in dock at Boston and they sailed without him. A week later, while the Yukut was docked at Portland, Maine, 107 miles away, Arab trotted up the gangplank and went to where his plate used to be.

He had never been on the East coast of the U.S.A. before, joined the ship two years ago at San Francisco.

EAT YOUR HAT.—At Philadelphia, a department store is selling hats made of cake, price £1 each. Styles—mostly hat size sailor models, with frosted pastel icing resembling ribbons and flowers. Sacs are brick.

FOR MEN one of New York's more glittering outfitters is advertising two handkerchiefs for £38 10s.—"pure, sheer linen." You get a handsome pinup case included in the price.

FOR WOMEN there is a new kit offering all the materials and instructions for making your own "pearl" necklace, earrings, brooches and rings. It sells for £1 1s. in the department stores.

PIERCED EARS are by no means a thing of the past. More and more women are having the job done. Latest: Actress Faye Emerson. She likes long, swinging earings and hates to lose them.

—(London Express Service)

## POPULATION ESTIMATE

There are 43,785,000 persons in England and Wales, according to the latest estimate of the Registrar General's office.

There has been no official census since 1931 because of the war interruption. The population in 1931 was 39,952,377 persons.

Mr Pearson said that Government investigation had established that the Lake Canim, which had run the Nationalist blockade and discharged cargo in Communist China, had not carried any weapons or war material.

Its cargo had been "highly miscellaneous and general" with

Wat uh toim we moderns wud harve had trying understand them so let's naht regret, as scholars sometoims dew, that we weren't personally present in Globe Theaterr in early 1600's when Shakspear wur broight, young wroiter frum Stratford-on-Avon.

One of the most fruitful of these was a comparison of old letters written before spelling crystallized. Many writers in that comparatively slipshod era—as far as writing went—spelled words phonetically, and from a study of many thousands of these words Prof. Jones compiled a list of Elizabethan pronunciations.

Today I listened to the famous soliloquy, "All the world's a stage," from "As You Like It" and passages from "The Tempest" and "Richard III" as they probably sounded in theatres of Shakespeare's day.

## STRANGE TO HEAR

"All worlds stagle," Prof. Jones began. He pronounced nouns like noose, like aygle, reputation like repulsion, wine and well like hwat and hwell, earth like arth, court like coort, looks like lukes, war like wahr, and bosom like bosom.

They fell strangely on the ear—just as oddly, Prof. Jones says, as the English of today will sound to the men and women—if any—of 2500 A.D.

Since there has not been another Shakespeare, our language became what it is today.

Mybee we art goo back to Elizabethan spelling and wroiting a-gayne, ayo?" — United Press.

## Not Selling To Both Sides

Ottawa, April 23.—External Affairs Minister L. B. Pearson today said that careful Government investigation had completely disproved charges in Commons that Canada had shipped arms to both sides in the Chinese civil war.

Mr Pearson said that he would deal with the charges fully before the special House Committee on External Affairs. The charges were made by General G. R. Pearkes.

General Pearkes had named two Canadian ships, the Lake Canim and the Argovian, as having respectively carried armaments to the Chinese Communists and Nationalists last October and in March of this year.

Mr Pearson said that he had been informed that the Argovian had loaded surplus United States tanks at Los Angeles last month, and was in the process of transporting them to the Chinese Nationalists at Formosa.

In addition to its stop at Formosa, Mr Pearson said, the Argovian is scheduled to call at Tokyo, Hongkong and the Philippines.—United Press.

## CRACK-UP IN THE DESERT



THIS photo shows part of the rear section of the fuselage of a U.S. Army B-52 bomber that exploded in mid-air near Hyder, Arizona. The giant Saguaro cactus in the background took the lives of 12 of a 14-man crew. The ambulance in the background took the victims to a hospital. (Acme).

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### The 28 lb. baby everybody loves

**BRUMAS: Why do 5,000  
people pay £400 an  
hour to see her?**

BY JOSEPH GARRITY

Can a mother's tender care cease towards  
the child she-bear?

THE frolics of Brumas, the baby bear, have so captivated Londoners that the Zoo turnstiles are clicking to the tune of 5,000 visitors and £400 an hour.

In four months Brumas has established herself as a bigger money-spinner than any other entertainment in London.

During the last fine week-end 31,394 visitors paid more than £2,000 for admission, double the figures for the corresponding week-end in 1949.

On Easter week-end the attendance exceeded 100,000. On Good Friday alone there was a record crowd of 51,000.

#### She is a clown

WHAT is the secret of Burma's remarkable popularity?

I should say it is that Brumas hypnotises the crowds with hours of non-stop comedy.

She is not just a lovable, cuddly baby bear. She is a clown, an acrobat, a ballerina, and an almost-human imp rolled into one.

There is not one dull moment from 11 a.m., when she makes her bounding, sprawling entrance, blinking in the morning sun, until 5 p.m. when she drowsily answers the sandman's call.

Not only the children yell with delight as Brumas goes through her repertoire of swimming, somersaulting, stalking her mother, Ivy, in playful combat, or skidding in Chaplin fashion round the rocks.

Grown-ups often outnumber the children. Sometimes the children can't get a look-in.

How does Brumas spend her day?

Although still fond of milk, Brumas is being weaned and now shares the same food as her mother.

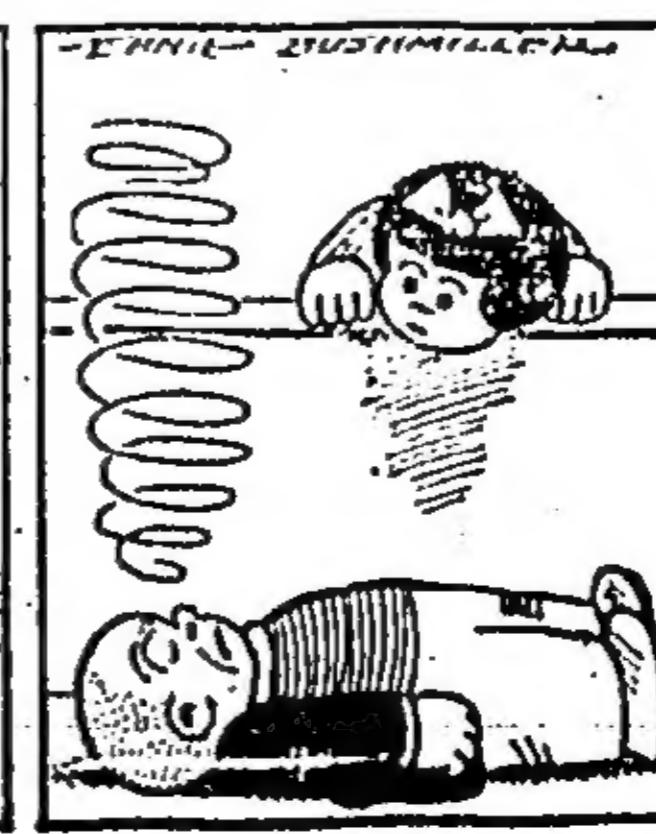
The mealtime scene is an object lesson in table manners. Neither raids the other's ration.

If Brumas wanders off, Ivy grabs her and holds the cub over the food until she has "licked the platter clean."

At 11 a.m. the gates to the outside world of rocks and pools—and humans—are opened.

Meanwhile, Ivy is busy cleaning up Brumas, licking her coat as meticulously as any cat ever groomed her kittens.

#### NANCY Automatic Time Out



By ERNIE BUSHMILLER

## Land of prayer gets ready

By SYDNEY SMITH

Gangtok, India.

**T**IBET, the Land of Prayer, has decided to go on a defensive war footing against Communist threats.

The Lhasa Government of hereditary nobles and "divinely appointed" monks is planning the heaviest defence budget and the biggest army in Tibet's history.

Advisers have come from the omnipotent Senior Oracle in the gold-topped Potala Palace.

"This year will see the end of peace in the Land of Poo."

Reports from Lhasa say the recruiting target is an increase of the present 12,000 regulars and militia to 100,000. If there are not enough men to go round, they will use swords and spears.

Medieval recruiting—sergeants—fur-capped, knee-booted, swarthy, earringed pony riders with plaited hair and silver daggers at their belts—have arrived at Tibetan villages along nearly 2,000 miles of the Indian border.

#### Bait for recruits

Their recruiting notices, roughly printed on bamboo paper, picture a long-haired Tibetan with a gun and promise better food, good tobacco rations, tea and clothing.

Conscription is being enforced only on a one-man-from-one-family basis among the trading and farming middle classes who, if they have not a man to spare, must either pay an indemnity equal to the cost of one soldier or hire a servant to join for them.

Another forceful military measure just completed is the transfer from Lhasa of troops of the Dalai Lama, with two batteries of 30-year-old mountain guns and a few modern Erens, to the province of Tsang, home territory of the exiled Panchen Lama, pawn of the Communists.

The Lhasa forces have deposed and transferred all the Panchen Lama's troops, police, and Government officials. Suspected Communists and militant Panchen Lama supporters, including monks, are disappearing into monastic dungeons.

The Chinese Communists have rebuilt three wartime airfields hundreds of miles inside Tibet at Sining, Chamdo, and Jyekundo.

On the north-western borders of Tibet, in Ladakh and on the Kashmir borders of Eastern Turkistan, Russian forces have completed a string of mountain forts and three airfields, which they have just handed over to the newly arrived "Chinese Liberation Forces." One of the airfields is within 100 miles of Indian Kashmir.

The two leading players in this first top-of-the-world political skirmish are a pair of omnipotent enthroned lamas, in conical hats and maroon-and-yellow silk gowns.

#### 14 And 12

Neither has ever played a fellow child. Both have already completed their studies in logic, philosophy, theology, and mechanics without ever leaving their silk-scarved thrones and banded boulders.

The Dalai Lama, Lhasa's supreme ruler with the qualified approval of the Senior Oracle, is 14 years old. His rival, the Panchen Lama, is 12. But they are about the only individuals in Tibet or China who know nothing of the threats and fears exchanged in their names. They are well screened by their septuagenarian regents.

—London Express Service

C. V. R. Thompson

If I were President  
—by Mrs Debolt

**NEW YORK.** WE men are not laughing so heartily today over that old, old prediction that America will soon be having a woman President.

That is because the latest prophet is Mrs Randolph Debolt. I had hardly met Mrs Debolt, who at 40 looks like the matron of a nursing home for gentlewomen, before she said it.

"After all," she argued, "we women raise sons who become presidents. So why shouldn't we become President ourselves? Any woman who can run a home can run a Government."

I thought to stomp her by asking how a woman would get elected. Her quick answer was: "Just like I got elected mayor of Sand Springs, Oklahoma, but on a larger scale."

This is how Mrs Debolt was elected mayor of a town of 10,000 people in a State where men are men.

"My husband owns a drug store," she said, "and I used to help him. I kept chatting with folks and I was always telling them what I'd do if I were mayor. Clean up the city, paint the city hall, pave the streets, and put the cops in decent uniforms and so on."

"Well, next thing, a group of citizens nominated me. I got in by a four to one majority, which my opponent, a man, thought was such a disgrace that he left town."

"I've done everything I promised to do. A woman always does."

**IT IS GETTING** impossible to go anywhere in New York without running into pickets protesting about something or other. I went to hear Kirsten Flagstad in her first concert of the season. Outside were the usual 100 men and women chanting "Singing Nazis are still Nazis—go home!"

I went to a cocktail party for Sir Basil Brooke, Ulster Prime Minister. Outside his hotel were 200 "Minutemen," as they call themselves, singing, "We may be short of water, but we don't want a dirty Brooke."

**TO HOLLYWOOD** has gone a man with a difficult mission. In a fortnight, Stephen Jackson, a former New York judge, must find enough evidence to report to Congress on the stars' morals. And he promises to do it without talking to a single actor or actress. How he will get this information he will not say.

Hurt that Congress is investigating them again, Hollywood is doubly so that Mr Jackson is picked for the job. He used to be a judge in a juvenile court.

**ACCORDING** to statistics, people who are the subject of most jokes by radio and TV comedians are: Vice-President Alben Barkley, Mayor William O'Dwyer, Margaret Truman, Al Jolson, and Roberto Rossellini.

**CHALLENGE** to President Truman from a critic in his own party, Virginia's Senator Harry Byrd: Prove to us you really are not a Socialist.

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## BIDAULT TALKS OF THE WORLD'S GREAT INSOMNIA

Argenton Sur Creuse, France, Apr. 23.—The Prime Minister, Georges Bidault, said today that he still hoped for an understanding between East and West in the cold war but it would depend on the East. M. Bidault came here to award the Croix de Guerre to this town, where the Nazi SS killed 67 persons in June 1944.

He said: "The great insomnia of the world begins once again the day after a great tragedy."

In such an arduous moment we cannot give up hope that possibilities for meetings and agreement can exist between the two halves of the world. Essentially, however, they do not depend on us, who have offered them so often. They depend on the wisdom of others who must at last reply to our wisdom."

M. Bidault did not mention the Soviet Union by name, but he said the great task was to remain vigorously on guard to see that "their principles" were

## SABOTAGE TRIAL IN RED ZONE

Berlin, Apr. 23.—East Germany's first mass sabotage trial is due to begin tomorrow, when nine men, including a former Christian Democrat Minister, face a court at Dessau, Saxe-Anhalt.

The Christian Democrat is Dr Leo Herwegen, formerly Saxe-Anhalt's Labour Minister.

Another defendant, Friedrich Methfessel, former Dessau gas works director, has taken refuge in West Germany and will be tried in his absence.

The East Germany Government has invited seven Western correspondents and several German journalists from West Berlin to attend the trial.

The nine men face charges that "since December, 1949, they consistently and actively, with intent to sabotage, frustrated German economic measures, thus causing great harm to Germany's reconstruction and the people's heritage."—Reuter.

## Comet Bid For New Record

Hatfield, Hertfordshire, Apr. 23.—The record-breaking De Havilland Comet—the world's first four-jet airliner—will roar away tomorrow to attempt the fastest flight in history on the stretch from London to Cairo.

Group Captain John Cunningham hopes to chop at least 90 minutes from the present 6 hr. 35 min. point-to-point record for the 3,500-kilometres flight.

The supersonic Comet, firmly established as a world beater by test flights of 800 miles per hour to Tripoli, Rome and Copenhagen, will fly from Cairo for a nonstop test at Khartoum and Nairobi.

There it will receive further grueling tests under conditions of extreme heat and altitude ready for ultimate service on the Brit-in-Australia service.

The silver-winged aircraft will take a dozen technicians and a substantial cargo in the form of test equipment on tomorrow's flight.

Since first taking the air last July she has logged nearly 250 hours flying time.—Reuter.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Since you retired don't you feel the need of a little exercise, George? I feel like you're a foreman now, watching me work!"

## More Women At The House



With each new Parliament the number of women elected is steadily increasing, and following the recent General election and the Manchester by-election, won by Miss Florence Horburgh, the number has reached 21. Here is a picture specially posed on the terrace on the House: (left to right) Dr Edith Summerskill (Labour), Lady Megan Lloyd George (Liberal) and the youngest Miss Pat Hornsby-Smith (Conservative).

## Steamer Explosion In Antwerp

Antwerp, Apr. 23.—Police sources tonight denied a report, according to which 12 dockers were slightly injured this morning, when Communist demonstrators clashed with the police here.

They say the confusion arose from the fact that 12 dockers were injured, four of them severely, when the boiler of the Norwegian steamer, Njord, on board which they worked, exploded late last night.

The same sources did not deny, however, that rubber truncheons were used against the demonstrators, some of whom received blows. But they formally deny that the Communist deputy, M. Franz Van Den Branden, had been hit. The police had received orders not to touch him on account of his Parliamentary immunity, they explained.

According to the same sources, even when Van Den Branden jumped at a policeman's throat, no action was taken against him.

It was a friend of Van Den Branden that rang up Antwerp newspaper offices announcing that the deputy had been injured by police truncheons, the sources added.—Reuter.

## Vietminh guerillas attack train

Paris, Apr. 23.—Indochinese Vietminh insurgents last night attacked a military train on the Nhatrang-Saigon line, 27 miles east of Saigon, according to an Agence France Presse report.

Train guards, aided by aircraft, drove off the raiders.

A French Headquarters communiqué said that the attackers suffered many losses, while six Vietnamese were killed. Before the attack, the Vietnamese guerrillas had cut the railway line to stop the train.

The French military authorities in Hanoi today announced the recapture of the port of Phuoc (in the Red River valley, south of Hanoi), which was evacuated on February 13 after Vietminh attacks.

The Red River valley is now being cleared by French troops, the Hanoi statement added.

To accommodate Vietnamese refugees from zones under Vietminh control, Buddhist pagodas in Hanoi will be partly converted into rest centres by the local authorities.

Hanoi's present population of 200,000 is twice the number at the outbreak of the fighting five years ago.—Reuter.

## Big Three do not want Germany as buffer between East and West

Washington, Apr. 23.—United States officials said today that the idea of establishing a unified but politically neutral Germany as a buffer between East and West would receive little if any support at the forthcoming conversations of the Big Three Foreign Ministers in London despite recent articles in support of it which have appeared in the American press.

These officials, some of whom are concerned with drafting the agenda of the Foreign Ministers' meeting, took the position that even if such a Germany could be developed—which they said was highly unlikely—the French in particular could hardly be expected to stand for the recreation of a situation so potentially similar to those of 1914 and 1939.

Officials pointed out that, while the idea of Germany as a strong "third force" in Europe, dedicated by its strength and geographical position to prevention of a major East-West conflict, might appear attractive in principle, there was little in German history to suggest that she would long remain neutral. And they contended that, in any case, a powerful neutral Germany could again become a threat to her neighbours as she did before.

In private conversations, officials here do not conceal their concern at what they call Germany's "historic propensity" for making treaties with the Soviet Union. They might some day be revived in a new version of the 1922 Rapallo or the 1938 Hitler-Stalin agreement.

They said it is of small help to reflect that those two treaties lasted only a short time and collapsed when no longer dictated by expediency. They explained that there was no way of knowing how long a similar future agreement might be considered expedient.

### PAPER NEUTRALITY

In view of such considerations, the United States and other Allied leaders are expected to be cautious so that they are not manoeuvred into accepting proposals for "paper neutrality" which later place the Germans in a position to ignore East and West off against each other.

It is acknowledged in official quarters that a certain amount of bargaining is taking place at present and it poses one of the problems the Foreign Ministers must face in attempting to decide their future course in Germany.

Although it is acknowledged to be a distasteful approach, there has been some discussion in the preliminary planning for the London meeting, as to what the Allies are in a position to offer the Germans in the way of additional concessions.

The U.S. High Commissioner in Germany, John McCloy, and other American officials, in public statements in the past few days, appear to have ruled out my hope that the Germans may have had for defence forces of their own or immediate drastic changes in the occupation statute.

### STEEL PRODUCTION

However, it is pointed out here that there still remain several politically feasible offers that the Allies can make to the Bonn Republic which, at least for the time being, may satisfy the Adenauer government in its demands for more and more

## Peace Project Rouses Interest

Washington, Apr. 23.—The State Department has asked the French Prime Minister, M. Georges Bidault, for more information on his proposed "High Council" of the Atlantic Powers, usually reliable Washington sources said today.

The message was reported to have encouraged M. Bidault and supported his general objective of Western co-operation, without endorsing his proposal that the 12 Atlantic Treaty nations create an "Atlantic High Council for Peace" to coordinate all major political, strategic, economic and political.

State Department officials had been studying the plan since M. Bidault's announcement a week ago, it was learned.

They were said to be still cautious because they were uncertain of the Prime Minister's exact ideas: whether he envisaged a new agency or a new and broadened use of the present North Atlantic Council.

State Department officials pointed out that the Council had authority to consider political and economic problems of the North Atlantic area but not machinery to deal with them.

In its first year, emphasis had been on the development of Committee machinery for devising Atlantic defence plans.—Reuter.

## Outlook Good In Greece

London, Apr. 23.—Mr. Henry Grady, the American Ambassador to Greece, arrived here today from Athens in a United States Air Force Douglas.

Mr. Grady, who will stay in Britain for two days, told reporters that American aid to Greece "should definitely be carried on."

"The Greek Government, although topsy-turvy after the elections, is stable and the outlook appears good for the future," he added.—Reuter.

## MacMahon Ball Alarmed

Melbourne, Apr. 23.—The use of Australian troops in Malaya might light new flames through the whole of Eastern Asia, Professor William MacMahon Ball, the British Commonwealth member of the Allied Control Council in Japan, said in a broadcast tonight.

The situation would immediately seem to be regarded not as a mere British issue in which the established authorities were trying to restore law and order but as an international political issue.

Many Malaysians, who had given full support to the British, were still smarting from a series of insults at Australian's immigration policy. The use of Australian troops might lose the British the much support of the people, Professor MacMahon Ball said.—Reuter.

## Golfer Found Hanged

London, Apr. 23.—The well-known amateur golfer, Ronald Royle Hardman, who played in the American Walker Cup tournament in 1925, was found hanging in his garage at his home in Birkdale, Southport, yesterday. He was 50.—Reuter.

## H. K. S. P. C.

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Hour;  
7.30, "Our Concert  
Orchestra (BBCRT); 7.30, "Off the Record" — by Honora Gibbons (Studio);  
8.00, "World Broadcast" (London Relay); 8.15, "I Like What I Like" — by Bob Fuller (Studio); 8.45, Linda Carter (London Relay);  
9.00, "On Film" (Studio); 9.00, "The Weather Report" — by Bob Fuller (Studio); 9.15, "Concerto" —  
Weber's Concerto in E Minor;  
Robert Coendus (Studio); 9.30, "Music of the  
World" — by Georges de Paris  
conductor; 9.45, "The Fire Lighters" — A Play  
by George Bernard Shaw; 10.15, "Spanish  
Nights" — Presented by "Delita" (Studio);  
10.30, "The Ballet" — by Paul Draper (Studio);  
10.45, "The Weather Report" — by Bob Fuller (London Relay);  
11.00, "Weather Report" (World News and Home News from Britain); 11.15, "Close down" (Studio).

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## HOW ONE MAN'S FAITH RESTORED JOE MERCER TO SOCCER STARDOM

When a man is elected Footballer of the Year in front of some 2,000 fellow professionals (collective transfer value about £1,250,000), he must possess qualities of heart and mind which stand out like the Eiffel Tower.

Such a man is Joe Mercer. A fortnight ago I picked the 35-year-old Mercer as Footballer of the Year. Now the nation's sports writers have confirmed that choice.

Everyone in Soccer knows Joe. To the crowds he is the half-back with superb ball skill and those famous spindly legs shaped, his school pals used to say, like a spiral staircase.

To the players he is the skipper who calls to them through gritted teeth at the height of the battle: "Go on, Go on!"

### NON-STOP

As Denis Compton puts it: "You may be just about ready to drop. But you never do, not with non-stop Joe behind you and not when you're playing for Arsenal."

THE TURNING POINT

"Few people know it, but that was the turning-point of my career," Joe told me last week.

## Feast Of Good Fights Coming Up This Week

London, Apr. 23.—British boxing fans are offered a feast of good fights within the next week, with World, European and British Championships being decided on Monday and Tuesday.

In a double-barrelled Championship programme at the Harringay Arena on Tuesday, the London street trader, Terry Allen, will attempt to retain the World Flyweight title for Britain, and another London scrapper, Danny O'Sullivan, tries for the European Bantam-weight crown.

Stepping in when the Irishman, Rinty Monaghan, relinquished his title through ill-health, Allen takes on Honore Pratesi, a fast, aggressive Frenchman.

CLOSE CONTEST

A close contest between two speedily skilful boxers is anticipated. Pratesi is a slight favourite because of a points

### NBA BACKS UP BBB

Washington, Apr. 23.—The National Boxing Association said here it would uphold any British suspension of the World Bantam-weight Champion, Manuel Ortiz, of California.

The NBA Executive of 20 members voted to concur with the British Boxing Board of Control in the suspension of Ortiz if the BBC suspends him on the pending inquiry of the London promoter, Mr. Jack Solomon.

Mr. Solomons claims that Ortiz disregarded an agreement for a world title bout in London with the British Champion, Danny O'Sullivan.

Ortiz is on his way by sea to South Africa, where he is due to meet Vic Towell, the British Empire Champion, in a world title fight on May 20.

Commissioner Abe Greene said the Committee also asked the British Board "not to recognise the proposed bout between Honore Pratesi, of France, and Terry Allen, of England, for the World Flyweight title until Dado Marino, of Hawaii, the top American challenger, has a chance at the title."

### SIX MONTHS LIMIT

Mr. Greene added that if this was not feasible the NBA would recognise the bout if the winner were required to meet Marino within six months for the crown.

The Championship fell vacant with the retirement of the title-holder, Rinty Monaghan, of Northern Ireland.

The only other actions taken in the first session of the two-day meeting were:

The NBA adopted the recommendation of the European Boxing Union that all boxers be similarly cleared for appearances in the United States.

The Committee recommended the experimental use of a 20-second interval between rounds, as employed experimentally in the States of Michigan, Rhode Island and Florida.—Reuter.

### "NO INTERFERENCE"

Johannesburg, Apr. 23.—Reg Haswell, secretary and match maker of the White City Sporting Club, said tonight that action was to be taken to prevent interference with the scheduled World Bantamweight title fight between Manuel Ortiz, of California, the holder, and Vic Towell, the British Empire Champion, here on May 20.

Mr. Haswell said the club's attorney had been instructed to take immediate action to apply for an injunction restraining the London promoter, Mr. Jack Solomon, the British Boxing Board of Control and Mr. Abe Greene, Commissioner of the National Boxing Association (United States), from interfering with the holding of the fight.—Reuter.

### Taikoo School Win Knockout Competition

The final of the Inter-Schools Senior Soccer Knockout Competition was concluded when the Taikoo Dockside Evening School defeated the Queen's College by an odd goal at the Hongkong Football Club ground, Happy Valley, yesterday morning.

At the conclusion of the game, Mr. J. Flinn of Taikoo Dockside presented the trophy to the winners after Mr. T. R. Rowell, Director of Education, congratulated the teams.

The game itself was an exciting one and despite poor weather and a heavy field, Queen's College put up a fine performance against the winners who were much superior throughout.

After a hard struggle in the first half, Wong Sun-man, centre-forward for Taikoo scored the only goal with a magnificent shot from 25 yards.

Following were the teams: Taikoo Dockside; Young Man and Ho Chung-chiu; Au Stow-wing; Tang Yung-kei and Wong Fook-kwan; Tang Ping; Ma Man-wing; Wong Sun-man; Li Kwong-keung; College—Chan Sui-tai; Cheung Shui-shing and Chan Kung-wai; Yau Tat-hoi; Wong Yung-wing; Yau Fung-kwong and Tang Ding-sin.

"At the time I was on the floor as a footballer—finished, I thought. Not only was I 31 but Arsenal bought me when my left knee was in terrible shape. I had undergone a cartilage operation the previous summer.

"In fact, I couldn't run a lap of the ground and it was all I could do to get fit between Saturdays."

"But Tom Whittaker had faith in me. It was his treatment which got me right, his shrewd advice which made me change my style so successfully."

"I owe more than I can ever say to Tom and Arsenal."

HE WAS CHEAP

Arsenal bought Joe fantastically cheap for £7,000. But in the moral currency of leadership, initiative, and dynamic drive, Mercer's value cannot be measured in money. And when he leads Arsenal to Wembley's hallowed pitch this Saturday, those who are there will see what I mean.

Decision No. 2 in Joe's life crept up on him last season. Let Mrs. Mercer take up the story.

"I tried to persuade him to retire. He has a big grocery business in Liverpool, and I was afraid for his health. So he went to see Tom Whittaker in London...."

Everyone knows the sequel. And Mrs. Mercer adds: "Of course, I'm glad now he didn't pack in."

### ALL-TIME RECORD?

Merger played 22 times during the war for England, seven times as captain. Since then he has won a League Championship medal with Arsenal.

O'Sullivan's superb boxing skill may enable him to wrest the European Bantamweight title from the Spaniard, Luis Romero, in a battle of contrasting styles.

Romero adopts the southpaw (reverse stance) and is a hard puncher specialising in close quarter work, but O'Sullivan has a great command of ringcraft which may keep him clear of trouble.

A third Londoner, Albert Finch, of Croydon, of the Midlands, for the British Middleweight Championship at Nottingham on Monday, will win in their 10-rounds non-title contest last year.

Britain has held the title since 1932, when Jackie Brown won it from the Frenchman, Young Perez, but a victory for Allen would make him the first Londoner to win the honour since 1913.

O'Sullivan's superb boxing skill may enable him to wrest the European Bantamweight title from the Spaniard, Luis Romero, in a battle of contrasting styles.

Romero adopts the southpaw (reverse stance) and is a hard puncher specialising in close quarter work, but O'Sullivan has a great command of ringcraft which may keep him clear of trouble.

### £1,000 A YEAR

And what is all this worth to him? Compared with the top players in golf, lawn tennis, baseball, and even cricket he is a mere pittance.

Teenie stars like Jack Kramer and Richard Gonzales earn between £30,000 and £35,000.

Golfer Bobby Locke, £10,000; champion jockey Gordon Richards, £15,000; baseball stars Ted Williams and Joe DiMaggio, £37,500 and £25,000 respectively.

Even Joe Mercer's team-mate, Denis Compton, got a cricket scholarship last year totalling £12,000.

### PROTEST

London, Apr. 23.—George Dingley, the British representative of Black Pico Champion of Cuba, stated tonight that he was protesting to the British Boxing Board of Control against the Terry Allen (England) versus Honore Pratesi (France) fight at Harringay, London, on Tuesday being re-arranged as for the World Flyweight title.

"Pico has with great success met bantamweights and featherweights in the United States," he said. "Either Allen or Pratesi should meet him in connection with the vacant world title," he added.—Reuter.

### ADVANCE AUSTRALIA!

How long before the Australians (pop. 7,500,000) smash the sports supremacy of the United States (pop. 140,000,000)? Don't laugh. Australia is almost there NOW.

Recently in America, John Marshall, 20-year-old Australian Olympic swimmer, fractured more records, including the world 400 metres and 440 yards free-style. And he's only just started.

In tennis the Aussies are the second most powerful nation. Frank Sedgman at 22, is a future Wimbledon champion.

Not far behind him is Australian new "find," 20-year-old Ian McGregor, who is 6ft. 2 1/2 in, and has a reach of 8ft. 6in. Then there is that other rising star, George Worthington.

### THEIR SECRET

In athletics they are going up like a rocket. They swamped everyone at the Empire Games, although the weather admittedly helped them.

In cricket, of course—and that's where we enter the argument—no one can touch them.

In football they play Rugby Union, Rugby League, Soccer, and their own Australian brand, the "Wallabies," when they were over here, were good enough to take on our best, and in cycling they have a world (amateur) champion in Syd Patterson.

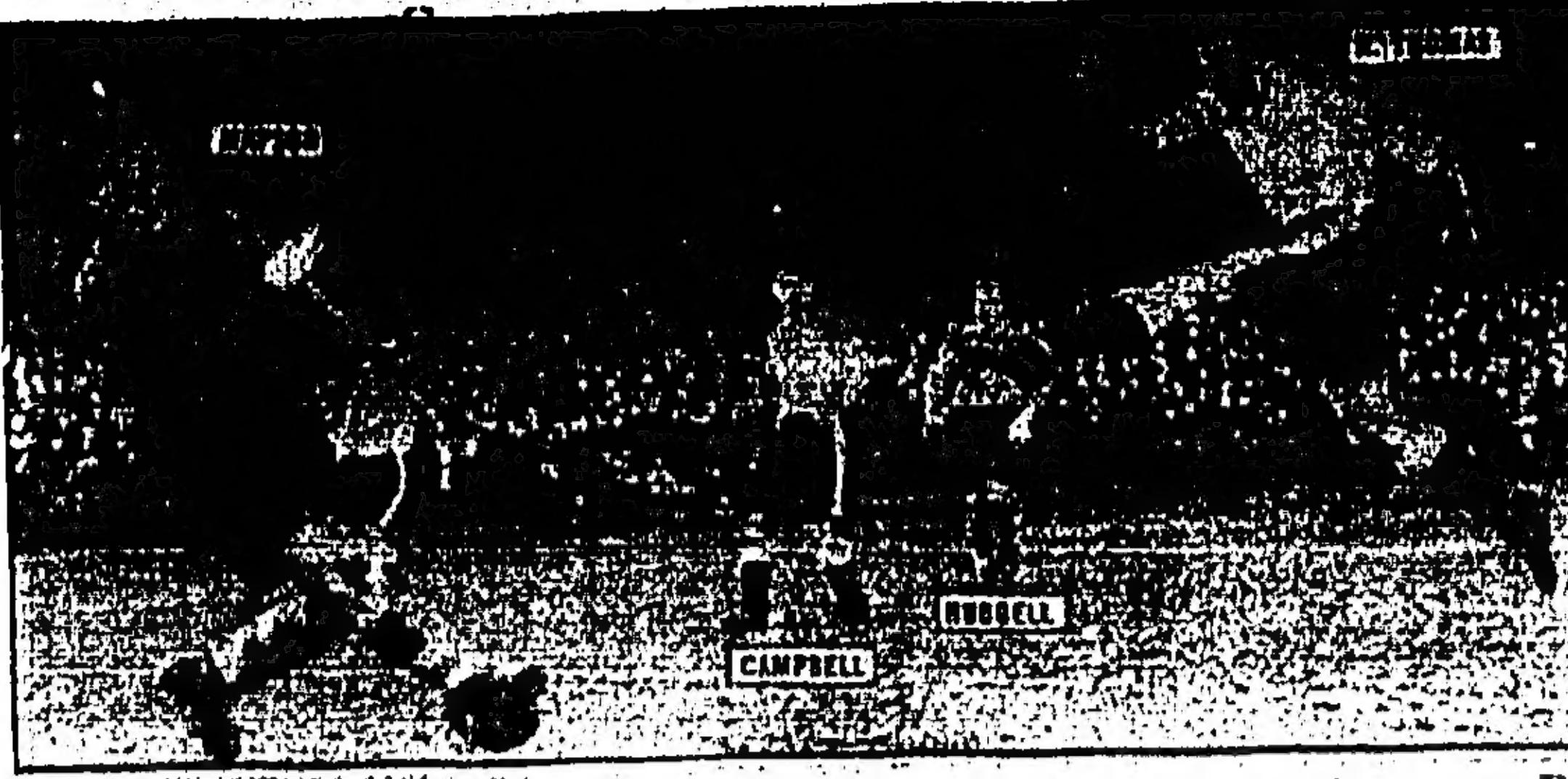
I salute Australia. What is their secret? Just a natural love of all games plus tremendous verve and will-to-win.

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## MAPSON AWAITS THE CRASH



Sunderland goalkeeper Johnny Mapson shuts his eyes and grimaces as Bob Thomas, the Fulham rocket, sails through the air with the agility of a hurdler. It was Mapson's lucky day at Fulham. Thomas got the ball from him, scored, but no congratulations. The referee ruled that Thomas was offside. Express.

### AS JOHN MACADAM SAW IT:

## 96 Bottles Of Rum Would Have Helped Their Calypso

Now, into the station at Waterloo came the West Indian cricketers when they were doo. They stood around the platform in batches, smiling like they didn't care if they never won any matches.

There were 12 of them arrived, looking just a little light. The reason was not far to look—their cargo of Barbados rum was took. The Customs boys didn't think they were dips, but they still didn't feel 96 bottles would help their Calypso.

They certainly looked a bit like the first county opponents are Worcestershire on May 6.

It is obvious that this happy bunch are going to be very popular, and there is a deep conviction among those who know the standard to which they play that, with any kind of weather at all, they will beat more than beat them. London's West Indian colony, which was well represented at Waterloo that night, takes this line strongly. Anyhow, we are taking the matter as seriously as it merits.

Apart from Leveson-Gower (Lozen-Gore if you don't mind) and "Plum" Warner, the greeting party included MCC secretary Colonel Rait-Kerr, with assistants, and G. O. Allen, with his arm in a sling.

(B) He is the only Liverpool-born citizen now resident in that great city who wants Arsenal to win!

SUGAR...FRUIT

They've got some sugar and some grape fruit, but apart from that, nothing special. They will have a day or two looking around London, practise at Lord's, and then move off to Eastbourne to train for ten days full-out.

In their programme they have four five-day Tests, 30 three-day games, and three of one day each. The first one-day fixture will be against the Club Cricket Conference at Kingston on April 26.

INDIANS DO WELL IN LANCASHIRE LEAGUE

London, Apr. 22.—Phadkar Mankad, the Indian Test cricketer, was at the top of the form playing for Castle Moor against Oldham this afternoon at the start of the Lancashire Central League season.

Almost unplayable on the damp pitch, he got eight wickets for 22 runs. The first Oldham wicket fell to Mankad at eight runs, the second and third at nine. Then a procession of batsmen went in and out quickly, mostly going to catches in the field and stumpings off Mankad's bowling.

Oldham were all out for 68 runs.

Mankad went in to bat first wicket down, but smashed at the ball and was caught with out having scored. For a time it seemed that Castle Moor's right fall to reach Oldham's total, but eventually they went on to win by 32 runs.

Among the spectators this afternoon were Mankad's wife and two children, watching their first English cricket match.

Mankad will be coach to Manchester University Cricket Club during the season. Last season, his first in the Lancashire Central League, he smashed a 12-year-old record by making 1,467 runs and taking 124 wickets.

Amarnath, of India, scored four not out and took four wickets for 34 runs in helping Radcliffe to defeat Ashton by five wickets in the Lancashire Central League. His bowling was a feature of the match.

Players are instructed to stop players from taking undue time with their towels, spectacles, drinks and "overwearing" from falls between strokes.

The question of too long knock-ups before the game will also be dealt with.

Ashton's innings ended at 90. Amarnath, second wicket down, was still batting when Radcliffe passed that total.

### THREE MINUTES

An official of the Association said: "Three minutes are allowed for a knock-up before a match, but there have been cases where this time limit has been exceeded. At the end of three minutes the umpire will ask players to start—and they will have to do so."

The Wimborne Management have informed the Association that an umpire insisting that there should be no delay, except for a very brief period to enable a player to wipe the perspiration off his hands and face, would have the fullest support.

There have been cases of "resting" in a mile form in big Championships for many years, notably in the 1949 Wimborne Championships, when Bob Falkenburg (United States) fell down several times during his semi-final match with his compatriot, Gardner Mulroy, and was asked by the umpire to resume.

Falkenburg was also accused of "stalling" against the Australian, John Bromwich, whom he beat in the final.

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# • FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS •

## • MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Slam Contracts Aren't Always Easy

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

The American Contract Bridge League uses a master point system of awards for all their tournaments held throughout the United States and Canada. Each tournament is given points according to its rating, the number of sessions and number of pairs entered. The tremendous task of keeping these records correctly is handled by Mrs. R. F. S. Harris.

Employees of the League seldom find time to participate in a tournament, except when one is held in New York City. However, when the Metropolitan pair event was played recently in New York, Mrs. Harris participated in this event and gave me today's hand.

Mrs. Harris, sitting South, did not waste much time in getting to a little slam in no trump, but

### DUMB-BELLS

REGISTERED U.S. POST OFFICE  
YOUR PAINTING YES,  
REMINDS ME OF A LOT OF  
LEONARDO DA VINCI!  
PEOPLE IMITATE  
MY WORK



### YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, APRIL 24

If you are born today, you have a tremendously magnetic personality. You make friends easily because of your thoughtful kindness. You invite confidences and all who tell you their secrets may be sure that they will be held in confidence. You would be especially useful in some type of advisory capacity where dealing with people and taking care of their needs and problems is essential.

You have a strong mind and a firm will. You can do anything you choose to do. But if something does not interest you, you appear especially inept. This may be done quite consciously so that you will not be called upon to do distasteful work. You have a natural inquisitiveness and like to know all there is to know about something. You are original in your ideas and like

to try out new schemes to see how they work. Usually, since you are careful to plan things well, they turn out and sometimes even better than you anticipated. Put your talent for experimentation to work, for it can bring you fame as well as financial success.

Your self-confidence and pride are part of your nature although you are quick to discern flattery. You have a rather sense of humor which, at times, is very subtle. Be careful that you do not hurt the feelings of those whose minds are not as agile as yours.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—More demands may be made upon you, but your capabilities should be able to cope with everything.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Hold to routine during the day, but when evening comes, plan special social pleasure.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Put forth your best efforts along some definite line of work, and your goal should be reached.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Be tactful and patient this morning, showing good judgment in all decisions. Caution pays.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Gather together all loose ends and see that things are in order for the next important move.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Stick to familiar routine early today. If planning social events, make them this evening.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Normal duties along established lines are the best for you at this time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—When afternoon comes you can promote a new idea and anticipate excellent results.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If there is some debt owing you, attempt to collect it this afternoon. You may be able to!

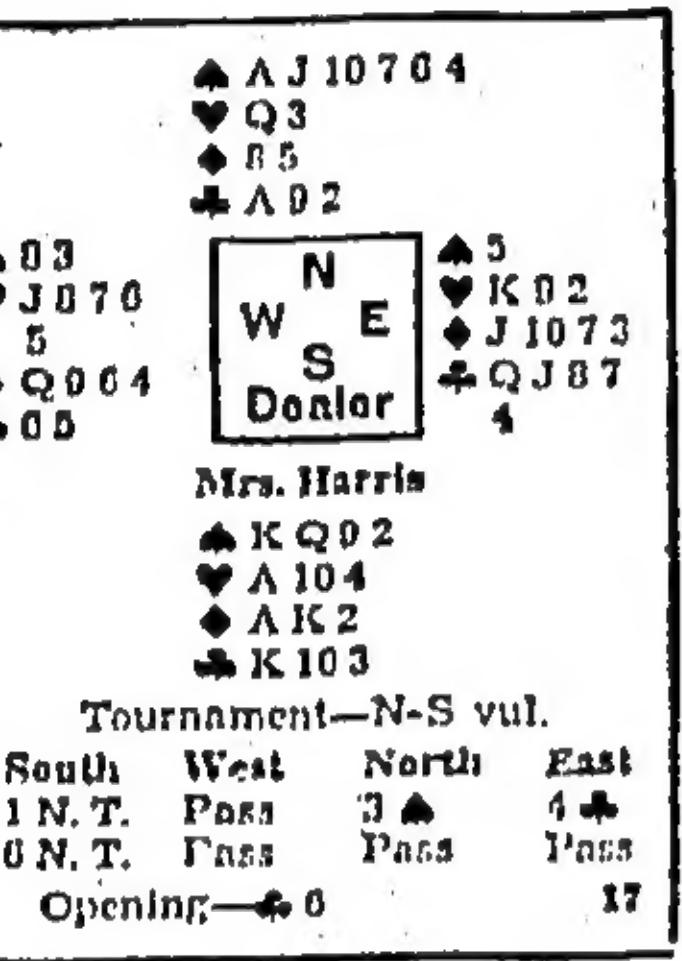
ARQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Don't stir things up this morning. Status quo is best. Increase your personal contacts.

PICTURES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Put your mind on the job this morning. Afternoon may call for some social co-operation.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Advance projects already under way. Children and educational matters can be important.

As for places to see, there is the Avenida, the Museum of the Coaches, the romanesque architecture of the Cathedral of St. Vincente, as well as several other churches.

—London Express Services



she had quite a job making it. North's three spade bid told his partner that he had at least two diamonds and a good spade suit.

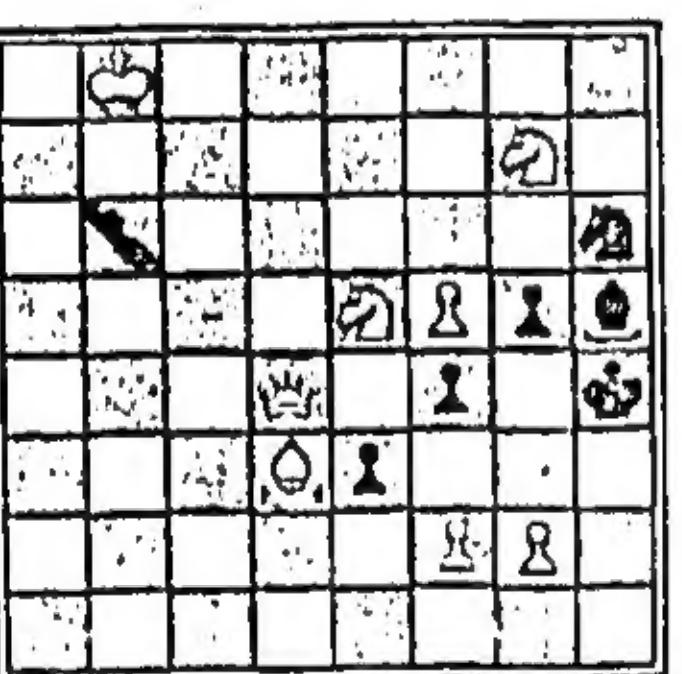
The opening lead of the small club was won by Mrs. Harris with the king when East put in the king. Now she cashed six spade tricks. East was forced to hold the king-nine of hearts and the queen-eight of clubs, along with two diamonds.

Mrs. Harris cashed the ace and king of diamonds and the ace of clubs. She now led a club which East had to win. The only thing East could do was to lead away from his king and nine of hearts, so he returned the nine.

Mrs. Harris won the trick in dummy with the queen of hearts and the ace of hearts gave her the trick necessary to make her slam.

## CHESS PROBLEM

By D. C. LEAVER  
Black, 6 pieces.

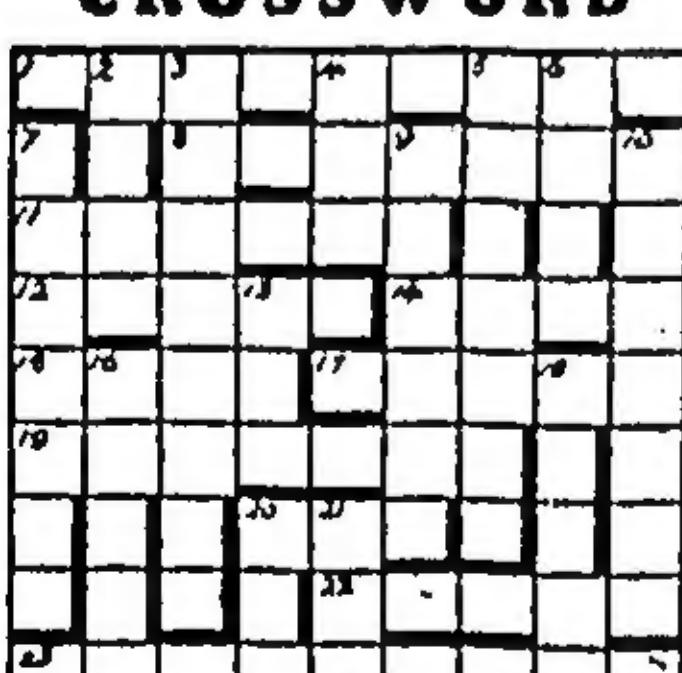


White, 8 pieces.  
White to play and mate in two.

Solution to Saturday's problem:

1. R-Kt5, any; 2. R, or Kt-mate.

## CROSSWORD



### INTELLIGENCE TEST

#### HE'S THINKING OF A NUMBER

by T. D. HARE

"How's your mental arithmetic, Cicely?" said Dr. Dingo to his daughter.

"Not too hot," I'm afraid.

"Then, have a go at them," said the codger. Dingo took out his watch. "I'll give you three minutes for this one."

"Go ahead," said Cicely.

"Sixpence is enough for this one. I'm thinking of a number. I've squared it. I've multiplied it by the original number. So I now have a number of seven digits," said Cicely. "Where do I come in?"

"I tell you the number I originally thought of. It's a number that you like one. The last digit of my seven-digit number is a 7."

"How quickly can you discover the number that Dingo first thought of?"

Hare eagerly asked Mr. Punch.

"Well," continued Mr. Punch, "the moment I heard him I used to spring up out of bed. I was never late for school. My father was never late for work. My mother was never late for breakfast. And everything was just on time."

"Now," said Mr. Punch, "everyone was happy with Henry the rooster and so grateful to him for getting them up in time that when Henry's birthday came around all of us decided to give him a wonderful present."

Mr. Punch smiled and winked his eye. "It was the best present anyone ever thought of to give a rooster who got everyone up on time."

"What was it?" asked Knauf.

"It was a wrist-watch," answered Mr. Punch.

"A wrist-watch?"

(Solution on Page 8)

### Check Your Knowledge

1. Name the two oceans that meet at the Strait of Magellan.

2. What is a moat?

3. Name the four states in the United States that begin with the letter W.

4. What is tympanitis?

5. Give the Roman numeral for 500.

6. From what country did Columbus sail on his first trip to America?

(Answers on Page 8)

### AROUND THE WORLD

#### LEISURELY LISBON, CITY OF CHARM

By TEMPLE MANNING

THE nicest places, even if not the most popular, are those that rely on their charm and atmosphere, rather than on sightseeing, and amusements, as their tourist attraction. Very much in this category is Lisbon, capital city of Portugal.

For all its importance as an Atlantic port, and Portugal's main metropolis, for all its bustle, Lisbon is a lovely, leisurely place, and beautifully situated, too. It is on Portugal's West coast, to the south, overlooking hills, with usual warehouses, docks, quays, inlets, along the waterfront.



A Lisbon fish wife on the waterfront.

The hillside streets are steep with apparently each hill having its full quota of steep alleys, narrow winding streets, steep steps, beautiful little squares, and many of the thoroughfares have picturesque, rather obscure names, except those, of course, with a religious connotation, such as, for instance, the Alley of the Faithful of God, and one dedicated to the Miracle of St. Anthony.

Many of these old streets are dark with decay but, despite this, they are never depressing. Habitations that are now tenements were once palaces, with beautiful carvings of whole walls and colour tiles showing here and there through the dirt and grime of centuries. Square dormer windows and steep roofs add their charm to the old quarters.

The high parts of Lisbon look across the blue Tagus river to pine woods backed by distant mountains against which the white church and houses of Almada stand out in beautiful relief.

#### Places to See

As for places to see, there is the Avenida, the Museum of the Coaches, the romanesque architecture of the Cathedral of St. Vincente, as well as several other churches.

### BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

MY dear sir or madam, you are a howling mass of calories. Our expert on "diet" has revealed that anybody who swims the Channel uses 10,000 calories. If you paddle for three minutes, you probably lose one calorie. "A woman who walks a mile to get slim" (they don't walk; they starve themselves) "will replace the weight lost by eating one chocolate." Allow me to add that a woman who stands on her head on a warm cistern for four minutes loses 12½ calories, but can replace them all by eating three ounces of apple-cooked in lemon juice.

#### In passing

THINGS are coming to a pretty pass when the electors, of all people, begin to treat Cabinet Ministers with disrespect, and are even rude to them when they talk offensive nonsense. The Press makes matters worse by reporting not only the nonsense talked by Ministers, but also the criticisms of the audience. It is hitting a man when he is up. I see that even that gracious, courtly figure from the old world, Mr. Bevan, is not exempt from the irreverence of political audiences. He has been deeply hurt by exhibitions of bad manners. It seems deplorable that one so sensitive and retiring should be exposed to the disapproval of people who are not quite out of the bottom drawer.

#### The subtle Captain

CAPTAIN FOULENOUGH, generally a novice ahead in life's arduous tasks, is organizing a paid squad of anti-informers to spy on the spies. The anti-informers, by acting as agents provocateurs against innocent people, and pretending to work with the informers, hope to land the real informers in a fine mess.

#### DEFEATIST

Mr. Hanes' statement came three months after he sent a report on the state of German economy to the E.C.A. headquarters in which he accused the German Government of a "falsely-fair and defeatist attitude in coping with its economic problems, mainly unemployment which at that time had reached almost 2,000,000."

In today's statement, the E.C.A. official said that, since 1948, when Marshall Plan materials first began to flow into Western Germany, industrial production generally doubled.

Steel output and vehicle production, both of which hit post-war records last month, increased more than 400 percent.

In agriculture, basic crop production surpassed all estimates, due in great part, the statement said, to excellent crop returns in the past two years.

The statement stressed however, that unemployment "is still serious." —Reuter.

#### As a matter of interest

DOES a man who informs

against someone in the

Department which employs him

get more or less pay than those

who spy only on the non-official

chances?

—London Express Services

### FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

## German industrial production equal to 1936 figures

Frankfurt, Apr. 23.—Germany's recovery in the first two years of the Marshall Plan was today described as "almost phenomenal" by Mr. Robert Hanes, chief of the Economic Co-operation Administration's (ECA's) special mission to Germany.

Mr. Hanes, who is also economic adviser to the American High Commissioner, Mr. James J. McCloy, stated that the West German Government reported the index of industrial production to be at 100 in March, equaling that of 1936.

This, he said, was a rise of one point over the previous month's index, and 15 over March of the previous year.

Mr. Hanes made his statement in an official announcement released by the E.C.A. mission here, on the second anniversary of the first E.C.A. shipment to Germany in April 1948.

"The rate at which German industry and agriculture has progressed in the first two months of the Marshall Plan has been almost phenomenal," he said.

It is beyond the expectations of a great many of our top optimists. This dramatic recovery is a tribute, not only to the Marshall Plan, but to German determination, hard work and faith in the future."

#### LONG TERM NEEDS

Black said, "The bank was created to meet long term needs which will remain in Europe when the present emergency is over. As cutbacks take place in the amounts of aid provided through the E.R.P. it is logical to assume that E.R.P. countries will look to the bank and to private investors as the principal sources of foreign capital they need for sound long term investment projects."

He said the bank is placing main emphasis on development loans.

He also forecast that President Truman's "Point Four" programme would make it easier for the bank to do its job by providing well-planned projects and technical skill needed to carry them through.

—United Press.

### PEKING TO EXPORT IRON ORE?

Tokyo, Apr. 23.—The first official offer to export iron ore was received on April 18 from Communist China, Akahata, Japanese Communist Party's organ newspaper, reported today.

It said the offer was made in an official cable signed by Sha Chien-ji, Vice-Minister of Trade of the Chinese Communist government in Peking, and addressed to the Promotion of Sino-Japanese Trade in Tokyo.

The Red newspaper did not reveal the price or quantity of iron ore offered to Japan nor did it explain possible connection between the project and SCAP-controlled Japanese foreign trade.—United Press.

### Singapore rubber prices fluctuate

Singapore, Apr. 23.—The price of rubber fluctuated continuously during the past week and, although the undertone is still sound, operators have been cautious, according to Lewis and Peat Limited, influential rubber brokers.

The firm said that there had been more inquiry by manufacturers, both at home and abroad and off-grade met with better demand at the present differentials.

Futures continued to be negotiated, with heavy offerings from the United States for the whole of 1950, buyers were not interested, except at bargain prices.

Malaya production for March is expected to be lower and this also applies to Indonesia.

Prices in the market today closed as follows:

Number 1 rubber, May 60½-61½; Number 1 rubber, June 60½-61½; Number 2 rubber, May 60½-61½; Number 3 rubber, May

# West German Government's Grave Crisis

Frankfurt, Apr. 23.—The West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, said tonight that the Allied veto of the tax law had plunged his seven-month-old Government into the gravest crisis, and he charged that the High Commissioners had acted beyond their competence.

The West German political leader said in a telephone interview that he had summoned financial experts for an emergency meeting tomorrow to discuss the situation. He indicated that his Government might resign.

## 400-Hour Dancing Marathon

Lyons, Apr. 23.—Out of 12 couples who started dancing here on April 6 in the Lyons international dance marathon, 12 and a half were still dancing to-day at the 400th hour of the marathon.

The half was a French partner of the Spanish girl, Patisa Soler, who has been dancing by himself since she gave up on Friday.

Although up to now short tests have been allowed, after tonight there will be non-stop dancing, which is expected to end the marathon quickly.

The waltz sprint, fifth of five minutes duration, is to last 25 minutes tonight and is expected to knock out many of the remaining dancers. The older couples are wearing better than the youngsters.

### WROTE LETTERS

Di Folco of Lyons was led off the floor weeping and saying he was abandoning 200,000 francs, the first prize, when ordered by a doctor to stop dancing as he had developed an abscess on his thigh.

Jovita, a Spanish girl dancer, wrote letters to her admirers while dancing, using her partner's shoulder as a desk to hold the paper.

Dancers are now making up to £10 daily. In "premises" awarded by spectators, the spectators are now more numerous and the dancers fewer. Boogie-Woogie is the favourite rhythm. Two jitterbug experts from Nice gave up two days ago after having collected £100.

The dancers are receiving large free meals. At noon to-day lunch of seven ounces of beef, lamb, ham, salad, fried potatoes and fruit was served to each dancer.

"Olive," a Marseilles dancer, who is the favourite, slept for seven hours on his partner's shoulder while still dancing.—Reuter.

### Persecution Denied

Bogota, Apr. 23.—The Colombian Foreign Minister, Senor Evaristo Coudria, today denied allegations by an American clergyman that Protestants were being persecuted in Colombia.

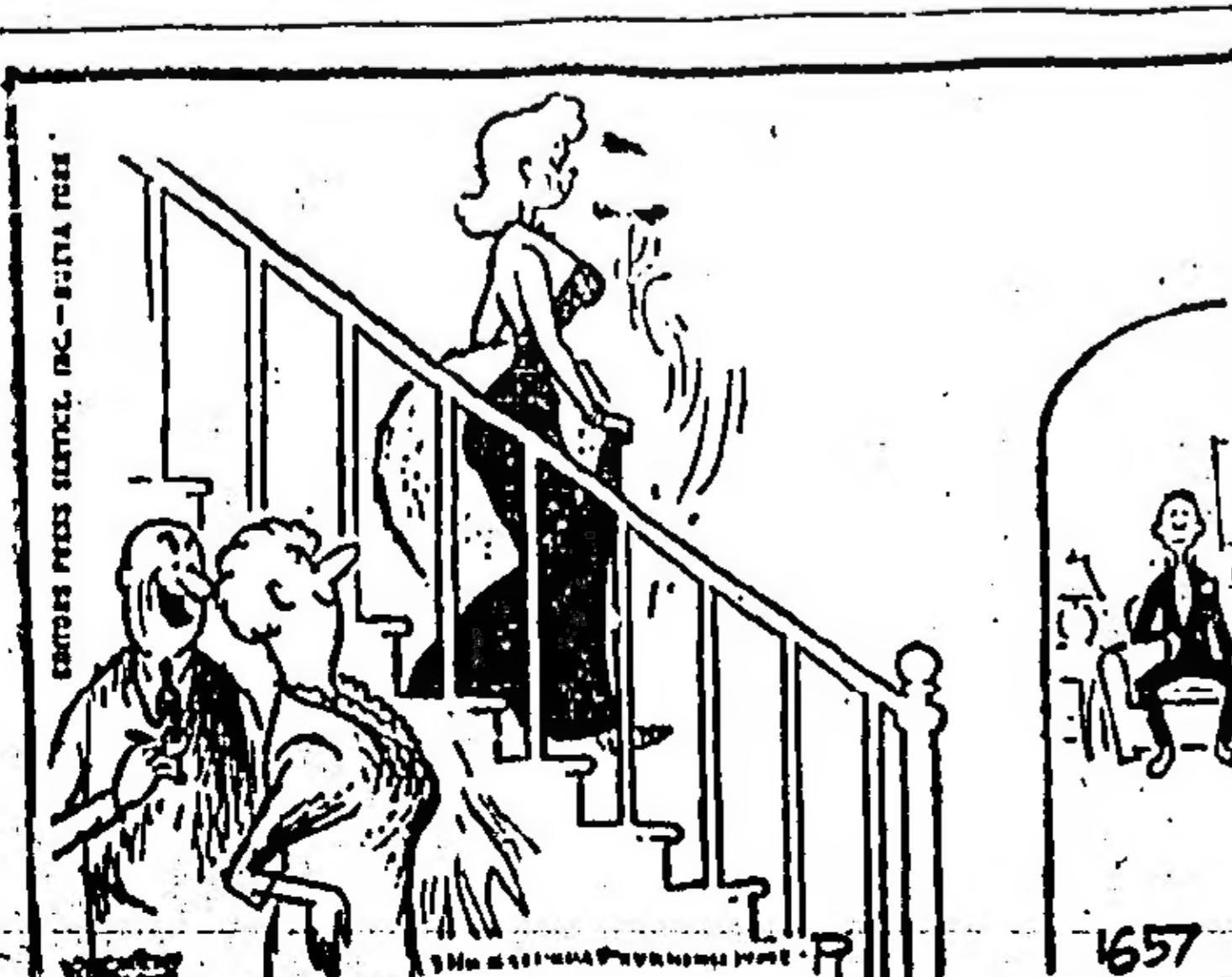
The clergyman, Mr Daniel Patterson, recently visited Latin America, and drew up an 11-point statement, alleging that there was no persecution. He added that the Minister of Education, Senor Manuel Mosquera Garces, had often complained of Protestant propaganda in certain districts, which contravened the Colombian Concordat with the Catholic Church, under which missions in these areas were specifically reserved to the Catholics.—Reuter.

## Death Roll In Malaya

Singapore, Apr. 23.—Britain's "anti-terrorist" police killed 60 Malayan guerrillas in March for the loss of 25 police, it was officially announced here today.

Since the emergency started in June 1948, the police had killed 1,150 guerrillas for the loss of 327 police, the announcement added. The police included regulars, specially recruited civilians and part-time officers.

The guerrillas killed 47 civilians in March, the announcement said, bringing the total since the emergency to 797.—Reuter.



## New Antibiotic



GENERAL CARLOS P. ROMULO

TERRAMYCIN HYDROCHLORIDE

5000 CAPSULES

Ambassador Carlos P. Romulo, left, chief of the Philippine delegation to the U.N., accepts almost US\$5,000 worth of a new antibiotic for clinical work in the Philippines. Making the presentation in New York is John L. Davenport. The drug was flown to Manila to treat sufferers.—(Aeemo).

## Poet's Admirers Mark Centenary

Glasgow, Apr. 23.—The centenary of the death of William Wordsworth was celebrated throughout the beautiful Lakeland District today. The poet lies buried in Grasmere Churchyard.

## DANGER TO HARBOURS WARNING

Washington, Apr. 23.—Atomic scientist Dr Harold Urey said today that the United States should do "much more" to guard against the danger that submarines will mine American harbours with atomic bombs.

The University of Chicago scientist, discussing the problem in a transcribed radio interview, said it would be quite possible for enemy submarines to sneak into major American harbours and plant atomic bombs to explode underwater later.

He said: "We should try to guard against it. I have seen in papers that some activity along this line is being taken, and I hope very much more is taken." He did not explain what "activity" is under way.—United Press.

### A VIOLATION

Frankfurt, Apr. 23.—The Allied High Commission declared today that the new German tax law which it provisionally vetoed three days ago violated the Marshall Aid agreement between West Germany and the United States.

The High Commissioner, in a letter to the Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, published here today, said that the tax law contravened that part of the agreement in which the German Government pledged itself to maintain "financial stability and balanced budgets" to soon as practicable."

In the High Commission's interpretation of the law would "tend to increase the need for external assistance to Germany and enlarge its requirements for foreign exchange"—Reuter.

## Free Concerts By Menuhin

Haifa, Apr. 23.—Yehudi Menuhin, the world famous violinist, gave free concerts in violinist settlements and towns this week-end to mark the second anniversary of Israel's independence, which coincided with his 34th birthday.

Over 10,000 people were present last night at a concert which he gave at Einige, a settlement beside the Sea of Galilee.

There was dancing in the streets of Haifa. Cinema shows were free. Holdily crowds thronged the main squares of cities and settlements.

Trains were specially reserved under 12. Tens of thousands of youngsters had free rides on the main lines.—Reuter.

## German Anthem Sung 3rd Time

Berlin, Apr. 23.—The former German anthem, Deutschland Über Alles, was publicly sung here tonight for the third time since the war at the end of the annual party congress of the West Berlin Christian Democratic Union.

It was sung last Tuesday after an official meeting addressed by the West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, in the presence of the Allied Commandants.

The same evening a Christian Democratic meeting, presided by Dr Adenauer, spontaneously ended with the tune.—Reuter.

### CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. The Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. 2. A water filled ditch around a castle. 3. Wyoming, Wisconsin, Washington and West Virginia. 4. Inflammation of the drum of the ear. 5. D. Spain.

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## BRADMAN HAS NO COMMENT

Melbourne, Apr. 23.—Sir Donald Bradman, the famous Australian cricketer, does not intend to issue any statement on the criticisms of his conduct by the former England captain, Lord Tennyson, in Tennyson's book "Sticky Wicket," to be published tomorrow.

Contacted by telephone at his Adelaide home today, Bradman said he had heard about Tennyson's remarks but "I have got nothing to say about it."

"The whole thing is only a repetition of a statement made by Lord Tennyson back in 1948," he declared. "It is two years old. I refused to make any comment at the time, and I refuse to make any comment now."

"The journalists who were there know the facts of the case, and I have got nothing to say about it."

Lindsay Hassett, vice-captain of the 1948 Australian Test team in England, said: "Bradman always led the team splendidly and never at any time did he transgress the laws or spirit of the game. His team respected and liked him."

### PLAYED HARD

Hassett, who also captained the Australian team which recently returned from South Africa, added: "If he took exception to the incident at Lord's, when he unsuccessfully tried to make Bradman, Lord Tennyson having captained England, should have known that a Test captain's time is not his own, and he often cannot see a person when that person wants to see him."

Jack Ryder, the Australian Test selector who led Australia in the 1928-29 Test here, said: "Bradman as a captain has always played the game hard but fairly. But I do not think he has played it harder than the majority of England's captains."

"Bradman, with his vast knowledge and experience, played the game right up to the hilt, which is quite in keeping with the true tradition of cricket."

"In my close association with him as Test selector I have always found him courteous and fair-minded,"—Reuter.

## Worthless Peace Pledge

Riverside, New Jersey, Apr. 23.—A former American soldier today tore up his American-Russian pledge signed five years ago at the meeting of the Allied forces at the River Elbe "to promote world peace for all time."

"It is not worth the paper it is written on any more," 27-year-old former Private Edward P. Ruff said.

"Instead of living up to that oath, the Russians have done everything to provoke another war."

In conversation with reporters, Ruff reminisced about the misty spring morning when his patrol pushed on ahead with 14 men to meet the Russians. He and five other men rowed across the river and were greeted like long-lost friends by the Russians on the other side.

On the spur of the moment, the peace oath was drawn up and signed, Ruff said, by the Americans and the Russian officers.

He and the other five Americans were given the Soviet Order of Glory. "There are only six Americans authorised to wear the Order of Glory," Ruff said.

"Once I thought it was an honour, right after a Russian general pinned the medal on each member of that patrol. But now, to me, it does not matter much in view of the Soviet Government's ruthless war-like policies,"—Reuter.

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